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MANY KINDS, AND ALL GOOD

That Would Seem to Be the Verdict
of Humanity on the Great
Question of Pies.

They were talking about pies and discussing which was the best, and what we gathered from the cheerful controversy, all were the best.

The person who stood up for the good old apple pie was just as eloquent in his references to the peach or pumpkin pie. In fact, each person would hurry through the praise of one kind of pie in order to champion another, which convinced us that of all the varieties of food in this world the pie is the blindest.

Sometimes you will find a man who doesn't eat pie, but watch him. Pie is a remedy for many distempers. We one time cured a ferocious sick headache with a quarter of mince pie, and that, too, on the advice of a physician.

One of the party never heard of a mulberry pie, and what a barren life she must have led. We are through with the cherry pie era and with what joy it has filled the world! We come to the berry era, and first of all there is the huckleberry pie, which berry has rescued from sunshine and soil all the grace of the earth. If a man does not like a huckleberry pie, it is because the pie or himself has not been well made. The black raspberry pie stands away up on the snowy peaks of perfection and for picnic purposes it is unparalleled. When we eat raspberry pie in the woods we feel that the Dryads are feeding us from their lily white hands.

There are other glorious pies, of course, but we must have room to say that the glory of a pie is in the grace and charm of the cook. The pastry depends upon her temper, and the pastry is three-fourths of a pie. If we were going to get married again, we would arrange a pastry-making contest, and the damsel that made the best pastry we would marry—if we could.—Ohio State Journal.

UNABLE TO ANALYZE DRUG

Intoxicating Principles of Powerful
Narcotic, "Cohoba," Remain a
Mystery to Chemists.

When Columbus arrived at the island of Haiti he and his followers were interested to observe a curious practice of the natives, who were accustomed on ceremonial occasions to make use of a narcotic snuff productive of a sort of hypnotic state, with vision supposed to be supernatural.

The tribal wizards, or priests, while under the influence of the drug, were accustomed to hold communication with unseen powers, and their mutterings were construed as prophecies and revelations of hidden things.

The snuff was called "cohoba," and, in the form of a fine powder, was inhaled through a forked wooden tube, the forks being inserted in the nostrils and the lower end of the tube buried in a little heap of the snuff, which was held on a tray of carved wood. Sometimes large small shells were used for snuff boxes.

The mimosa-like tree from which the snuff is obtained is plentiful along the banks of the Orinoco and the Amazon. It grows in Haiti, Porto Rico and other islands of the Antilles. The seeds yielded by its pods are dried, roasted and ground to powder, which is sometimes mixed with lime from calcined small shell.

Only recently has this tree been identified by Dr. W. E. Safford of the government plant bureau as the source of the snuff, the origin of which has hitherto been a puzzle. The chemical properties of the drug are still unknown and so its intoxicating principle remains a mystery.

Japanese Masks of Shame.

One of the most unusual features of a Japanese court to a stranger is the fact that each prisoner has his head covered by a wicker mask, more like an inverted waste-basket than anything else, the object of which is to prevent recognition of the prisoner, to permit him to hide his shame under the disguise and, very possibly, to prevent him from making a bolt for liberty.

The sight of a prisoner so arrayed is ghastly, the mask bringing up the suggestion of the hangman's cap.

Once in the prisoners' box, however, the masks are removed, while the prisoners sit with deeply bowed heads in an attitude of the utmost humility.—Boston Post.

Novel Stunt in Advertising.

They are not so slow in Russia as many of us imagine. An American relates that while in Moscow before the war he one day saw a crowd gathered around a little fellow who was bawling at the top of his lungs. Many asked him what the trouble was, but he kept on crying, and the crowd increased; then all of a sudden he stopped and said in a clear, loud voice: "I am lost. Will somebody please take me home to Ivan Tobinsky, the champion clothier of Moscow, who has a full supply of autumn overcoats, suits, neckties, shirts, hats and umbrellas, which he will sell cheaper than anyone else in the city."—Boston Transcript.

WHY

Arab Isle of Bahrain Is Place of Romance

Bahrain, the remote Arab isle in the Persian gulf, which is the reputed birthplace of the Phoenixians, has played an important part in the eventful history of the middle East. Tradition says the lustrous pearls that gleamed on the breast of the queen of Sheba were fished up from the hot, dangerous depths of these waters.

And long before the flood, says Babylonian mythology, a great creature, half man and half fish, called "Oannes," came up from the waters of Bahrain, strode ashore, and went North to teach culture to the Chaldeans! Here, too, are strange, mysterious ruins awaiting the pick and spade of exploring antiquarians.

But it is the big, high-priced pearls rather than ruined cities that make modern Bahrain a coveted prize in the breakup of the Turkish empire. For centuries fortunes have been fished up from these seas each year. On the adjacent Arab coast are certain sheiks in whose tribes pearls of great price have been handed down for generations, and Ishtar, the dissolute Babylonian princess, is said to have worn a necklace of Bahrain pearls which was so long that even when she stood upright it brushed on the ground.

Why Men Prefer Civil Life.

In both Denmark and Sweden, and to a lesser degree in Norway, an exodus from the army is taking place. Officers find it difficult to live on their pay and fewer aspirants are presenting themselves. There is a serious shortage of noncommissioned officers, and the voluntary cadres prescribed by law are becoming increasingly difficult to find. Labor conditions are so good for men who want to work, and pay is so high for manual labor that the army ceases to present attractions.

In Sweden, of 11,861 volunteers prescribed by law, 6,154 are lacking. There are soldiering jobs provided for by the last financial budget, with no volunteers to fill them. One volunteer detachment detailed to the Svea regiment, consisted of only ten at the end of October.

The Scandinavian navies, too, are considerably underofficered and volunteers are chary of presenting themselves when they can make such good wages elsewhere.

Why Hats Are Like Houses.

Did it ever occur to you that headgear takes on the form of houses? It is hard to account for some of the weird hats of the day by this theory, although perhaps an effort to carry out the lines of the skyscraper may be traced in the beehive-like decorations of feathers and flowers which tower skyward from our hats.

However hard to prove, this is a theory put forward by an authority on woman's dress. To understand its claim to consideration call up a picture of a medieval woman with a tall funnel-shaped headdress—the hehn. Isn't it for all the world like the spire of a Gothic church? And doesn't it also suggest the peak tent where her crusading or warrior husband or brother or father spent much of his time?

Take the eastern turban for another example. It is almost like the dome of some mosque or synagogue in outline.

How Seal Herds Increase.

A tentative annual census of the Alaskan fur seals just made by Dr. G. Dallas Hanna indicates the strength of the herd as 524,289 animals of all ages, as compared with 460,432 seals in 1918. The number of pups born, equivalent to the number of breeding cows, was 157,172, an increase over 1918 of 10 per cent in each class. The aggregate figures for 1919 do not include the seals taken for their skins. According to the telegraphic reports, 22,027 fur sealskins have been taken on St. Paul Island and 3,354 on St. George Island through the regular killing season ended August 10. A special effort has been made to reduce the excess of large male seals, with the result that over 6,400 such skins have been taken.

How to "Read" Fingers.

At the muscular portion of the thumb where it joins the hand one can decipher imagination and romanticism, in accordance with the height of this particular part. People with no enlarged joint at this spot are sorely dependent upon others and cannot think or act for themselves. This somewhat corresponds to the side of the hand where the small finger is connected, for when placing the palm downward upon a table the direct straight line gives way to untidiness and curiosity. It is just opposite in meaning to the curved development, determining neatness and discretion.

Why Depth Fishes Are Black.

The depth fishes are all exceedingly ferocious, as shown by their huge, lancet shaped teeth. All of them are inky black—as might be expected from the fact that their abode is one of absolute and everlasting darkness. Some are blind, while others have huge goggling eyes; for amid the darkness phosphorescent lights are carried by many of the abysmal creatures, even by the fishes themselves.

How War Hurried Inventions.

The development in telephonic and telegraphic equipment effected during the war would have occupied probably from ten to fifteen years during ordinary peace times.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, Made and entered into this 20th day of October, 1919, by and between the City of Detroit, represented by B. Banta, Superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction, duly authorized Agent for and in behalf of said City, party of the first part, and the County of Shiawassee, Michigan, represented by Board of Supervisors, duly authorized Agent for and in behalf of said County, party of the second part.

WITNESSETH, Whereas, the party of the first part, for and in consideration hereafter mentioned, agrees to receive into the Detroit House of Correction, safely keep, board, clothe and care for, and all persons who may be sentenced to confinement in the said Detroit House of Correction, by any Court or Magistrate in the County of Shiawassee, Michigan, to-wit: For all persons sentenced for any period not less than sixty days, one dollar and twenty-five cents per day each, or any part of day. It is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto, that this agreement does not cover any person or persons who may be sentenced to imprisonment by any Court or Magistrate in said County for any term less than sixty days, and such person or persons so sentenced shall not be committed to, confined, received or kept in the said Detroit House of Correction under the terms of this agreement. Provided that all persons sentenced and delivered as aforesaid, upon being discharged, may, in the discretion of the Superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction, be furnished with transportation to the place from whence received, or given the equivalent in money, and the amount so expended shall be repaid by the party of the second part quarterly as hereinafter specified.

The party of the second part, in consideration of the before mentioned stipulations to be performed to the party of the first part, agrees that all persons convicted in the County of Shiawassee, of offenses under the Disorderly Act or of crimes not punished by imprisonment in the State Prison or Reform School, and who are sentenced by any Court or Magistrate, shall be sentenced to imprisonment in the Detroit House of Correction, and shall be forthwith conveyed to and delivered into the custody of the Superintendent thereof, and to pay all lawful drafts drawn upon the Treasurer of the County of Shiawassee, Michigan, for board, care, discipline and money expended for return transportation, etc., of persons so sentenced and delivered, according to the terms of this agreement, quarter-yearly, viz: on the first day of January, April, July and October of each year of the continuance of this agreement.

The party of the second part further agrees to furnish the party of the first part an affidavit of the due publication of public notice of this agreement in some newspaper published within said County, and in case no paper is published in said County then an affidavit of the due application of such notice in some newspaper published within the judicial district to which said County is attached for a period of not less than four weeks, and such notice shall state the period of time for which this agreement will remain in force, as provided for in Section 2163, Mich. Compiled Laws 1897.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, by and between the parties hereto, that this agreement shall continue for one year from the 1st day of October, 1919, and shall be binding and in full force in all its points to the end. PROVIDED that the parties hereto, or either of them, have and has by these presents the right to annul this agreement at any time during the continuance thereof, when written notice of the intention to so annul shall have been served by one party upon the other party, at a date not less than one month previous.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have affixed hereto our hands on the day and year first above mentioned, at Detroit, State of Michigan.

The Board of Supervisors.
By W. A. McMULLEN, Chairman.
By ARCH W. BURNETT, Clerk.
Shiawassee County.

The City of Detroit.
By B. BANTA,
Superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction.

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OWOSSO MARKETS.

Owosso, Mich., Dec. 12, 1919.

GRAINS

Quoted by Isbell Bean Co.

Wheat, white.....	\$ 2 08
Wheat, red.....	2 10
Oats.....	65
Rye.....	1 25
Barley.....	2 30
Corn.....	85
Beans.....Per Cwt	\$6 50
Cloverseed, Alayke.....	28 00 to 30 00
Cloverseed, June.....	\$30 00 to \$2 00
Cloverseed, Mammoth.....	\$30 00 to \$2 00
Hay.....	\$22 to \$24 00

DRESSED MEATS

Quoted by Bowers & Metzger.

Beef, dressed.....	16 to 18
Calves, dressed.....	28
Pork dressed.....	22
Tallow.....	5
Beef hides, green.....	37
cured.....	40
Calf hides.....	75
Horse hides, each.....	\$12 00

PRODUCE, VEGETABLES, FRUITS

Butter.....	55
Eggs.....	55
Potatoes.....	1 50

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All important county news in THE TIMES \$1 per year.

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE

To amend section three of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide the salary and bond of the City Clerk and to provide for the appointment and salary of the Deputy City Clerk," passed and approved March 31, 1915, as amended.

The City of Owosso Ordains:
Section 1. That section three of an ordinance entitled "An ordinance to provide the salary and bond of the City Clerk and to provide for the appointment and salary of the Deputy City Clerk," passed and approved March 31, 1915, as amended, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3. At the biennial regular meeting on the first Monday in May at which the City Clerk is appointed, the City Commission shall appoint a Deputy City Clerk for a term of two years, who shall be under the direction and authority of the City Clerk. The salary of the Deputy City Clerk shall be \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) per month, payable semi-monthly, and said Deputy Clerk shall file with the City Clerk a surety Company bond approved by the Commission on the total sum of two thousand dollars for the faithful discharge of the duty of said office. In the absence or disability of the City Clerk such Deputy shall have all the duties, powers and authority conferred on the City Clerk by State laws, city charter, or any ordinance. Appointment to fill a vacancy in said office may be made at any time when such vacancy occurs.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take immediate effect.

Passed and approved Dec. 8, 1919.
A. T. WRIGHT, Mayor.
E. F. CONANT, City Clerk.

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